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REMARKS

Claim Amendments

Claims 8, 18, and 19 are amended to add the words - "of the" – before "units of active substances" in line 8 of each claim and are presented for reconsideration by the Examiner. The amendment clarifies that the "units of active substances" being referred to are the "units of active substances" introduced in lines 1, 2 of claims 8, 18, and 19 and referred to throughout the claims.

Interview Summary

On February 1, 2007, the undersigned counsel for applicant conducted an interview with the Examiner to discuss his requirement that language be added to claims 8, 18 and 19 to correct an "antecedent basis" issue. Counsel for applicant pointed out that the Examiner's proposed changes to the claims were inconsistent in the context of the claims. An agreement was reached to place the words "of the" before occurrence of "units of active substances" in line 8 of each of claims 8, 18 and 19.

When counsel for applicant raised the subject of whether any claims were considered allowable, the Examiner would not commit, but that his notes indicated a likely rejection.

For all the foregoing reasons, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of pending claims 1, 18, and 19.

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